OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM STATE OF TEXAS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, George W. Bush, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove and veto **House Bill No. 1418** because of the following objections:

House Bill No. 1418 creates a new "certificate of initial mastery" which could dilute Texas' effort to insist on high academic standards for our public schools.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 20th day of June, 1999.

SAVE STATES

George V. Bush Governo of Texas

Secretary of State